

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kenji SOEJIMA *et al.*
Title: ***ANTIBODY AGAINST VON WILLEBRAND FACTOR CLEAVING
ENZYME AND ASSAY SYSTEM USING THE SAME (As Amended)***
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the non-final Office action dated January 15, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application. To render this response timely, applicant concurrently has filed a "Petition for Extension of Time," with payment of the requisite fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this document.